

# Primary 2 Newsletter

This is a very busy term for Primary 2. With all the excitement of Christmas there will be the Christmas fair, the Sing-a-long, Christmas parties and of course the visit to the Panto.

## Literacy

Phonics – Primary 2 will learn 1 diagraph a week. They will complete various activities in class to help them use this sound in their reading and writing. They are encouraged to use joined writing when writing the diagraph in order to help them remember the sound. Continued practise of all sounds will ensure further understanding.

Spelling – They will have 3 tricky words each week. These are words that sometimes cannot be sounded out and need to be learned and remembered. They will have an assessment on Friday to ensure that they know the correct spellings of their sounds and words.

Writing – The Primary 2's are encouraged to write independently and are now learning how to improve their writing by using correct punctuation, WOW words and finger spaces. They will be encouraged to read back their writing to ensure that the sentences make sense.

## French

Primary 2 will be learning basic greetings and a Christmas song in French.

## Specialists

Monday – Expressive Arts (Mr Ralph)

Tuesday – Science (Mrs Rankine)

Ball Skills (Mrs Gray)

Wednesday – French (Mrs Sullivan-Lynch)

Thursday – Music (Mr Park)

P.E. (Mrs Rankine)

## Numeracy

Primary 2 will revise addition bonds to 10 and will also be working on numbers to 100, looking at place value. We will be looking at measurement, with lots of active activities to introduce standard units of measurement. There will be opportunities in the Role Play area to weigh and measure presents in the Elves Workshop and a Post Office to measure the area of envelopes.

## Topic

My Family – we will finish our topic of My Family by doing a presentation on our own families. We are also going to look at how some families live around the world, relating to the UNCRC and Rights of the Child.

Road Safety – we will complete a week of road safety activities to ensure that the children can cross the road safely and understand the importance of being seen on the dark nights.

What Christmas Means to me – on the run up to Christmas we will be looking at what Christmas means to us. We will look at the colours, decorations, food and songs relating to Christmas and then look at the Story of the Birth of Jesus.

Homework – Homework given out on a Monday, and returned on the given day.

Phonics – Monday and Wednesday

They will have various words linking to the phonic sound that week. They will have a handwriting activity and an active activity.

Reading – the children will be given reading books later in the term to read with you at home.

Numeracy – Tuesday

They will have various number activities to complete.

Spellings – Thursday

They will have 3 spelling words to learn each week and an activity to complete.

Miss Wallace